

**REMARKS**

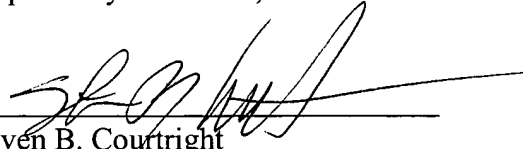
The amendments herein are intended to address rejections made under §112, second paragraph, in an office action dated December 15, 2005. Applicant requests reconsideration of these rejections.

The undersigned has authorization to act on behalf of applicant, and will provide a power of attorney as soon as possible.

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Respectfully submitted,

  
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